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## VFW plans trunk-or-treat event

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Wabash Post No. 286 has planned a trunk-or-treat event from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 3678 W. Old 24. The event is set to take place in the parking lot of the VFW building. For more information, call 260-563-2463.

## Second Harvest to hold tailgate food distribution Wednesdays

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned a tailgate food distribution for 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North

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# ISDH opens drive-thru virus testing clinic due to climbing local cases

## Mayor declares City Hall now open by appointment only

**By ROB BURGESS**  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Due to climbing local COVID-19 cases, Mayor Scott Long announced at Monday's Wabash City Council meeting that the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) and the

city of Wabash have opened a free drive-thru clinic for COVID-19 testing.

The clinic will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Saturday, and also from Tuesday, Nov. 3 to Saturday, Nov. 7 at 1360 Manchester Ave.

Testing will be available to all members of the public regardless of symptoms. Children as young as 2 years of age can be tested with parental consent.

"Hoosiers will not be

charged for testing and insurance is not required. If you have private health insurance, please bring that information with you," said Long.

During the most recent by the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH), Wabash County's weekly score was elevated from yellow to orange, the second-highest designation. The latest results are as of 11:59 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18. The county metrics

map is updated at midnight Wednesdays and reflects data through the previous Sunday.

Also on Monday, Long said he had decided to keep the doors of City Hall locked and all business will be conducted by appointment only until further notice.

Long said all city meetings will be either in person with social distancing or by Zoom meeting remotely.

Long said masks will

be mandatory to enter the building and must remain in place while conducting business.

"From March 27 with Wabash County reported its first COVID-19 positive case until Sept. 30 when we reported our 276th case, I believe we were doing well locally. From Oct. 1 until (Sunday, Oct. 25), we have had 163 positive cases reported. I am taking this step

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# WPD officers cleared in shooting



Photo by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Wabash County Prosecutor William C. Hartley Jr. announces Monday morning the Wabash Police Department (WPD) officers involved in the Oct. 8 shooting of murder suspect William L. Sendelbach, 32, had been cleared by Indiana State Police (ISP) investigators.

## Murder suspect William L. Sendelbach died Saturday

**By ROB BURGESS**  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Speaking Monday morning at the bottom of the steps of the Wabash County Judicial Center, Wabash County Prosecutor William C. Hartley Jr. announced the Wabash Police Department (WPD) officers involved in the Oct. 8 shooting of murder suspect William L. Sendelbach, 32, had been cleared by Indiana State Police (ISP) investigators.

Hartley also announced that William L. Sendelbach had died from his injuries Saturday afternoon.

On Wednesday, Oct. 14, William L. Sendelbach was charged with one count of murder and two counts of attempted murder.

"Now that William Send-

elbach has died obviously there's no reason for that criminal case to go forward," said Hartley.

Hartley said on Oct. 8, William Sendelbach and his wife, Sarah, were living in a duplex apartment in the 200 block of East Maple Street with their three children.

Hartley said that morning at about 6:45 a.m. Sarah was getting up, getting ready for work. William didn't want her to go to work. He wanted her to stay home. Sarah had just started that job in Marion and needed to go to work, so she didn't want to miss work. Hartley said William was a little upset about that, but not overly upset about that. The three kids at that time were all asleep upstairs in this apartment.

It was then that Sarah got

up, went downstairs and made herself some coffee. Sarah then went back up and retrieved some clothing to get ready for work.

As she went downstairs, getting ready to leave, she heard William yell upstairs, "I killed Kayden. I had to."

Sarah then ran upstairs into their 10-year-old son Kayden's bedroom. She found that Kayden had a knife in his head.

Hartley said the knife is approximately a 10-inch knife with a roughly 6-inch blade.

Hartley said at the time, William retrieved a 12-gauge shotgun and started to load it up. Sarah feared for her own life and her two other children's lives. They fled the apartment and went to the neighboring duplex to escape.

Hartley said at that point, William came outside with a Mossberg 12-gauge pump-action shotgun. It was still dark out and a trash truck happened to be driving by. William then discharged the shotgun into the passenger window of the trash truck.

"These trucks, the driver can drive the truck on either side of the vehicle, on either the driver's side or the passenger's side. That morning he was luckily was driving on the left side of the truck," said Hartley.

William blew out the passenger window of this trash truck and also discharged his shotgun at the neighbor's vehicle that was parked out front.

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# Long lines continue as early voting enters the final week

## Clerk: On Saturday alone, there were 1,060 early voters

**By ROB BURGESS**  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The long lines which have been a staple of early voting in Wabash County and across the country continued this weekend, as early voting enters its final week before Election Day.

## Early voting

Draper said during the first four days of early voting, their office had seen 1,146 voters cast their ballots by 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9. Draper said they had 2,288 in-person voters at their office by 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16.

On Sunday, Lori Draper, Wabash County clerk, said they had a total of 1,060 early voters on Saturday alone.

Draper said that brings their early voting total for this year to 4,904 voters.

Draper said voters can still vote from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday at the Wabash County Clerk's office at the Wabash County Judicial Center, 69 W. Hill St.

On Saturday, Oct. 31, early voting will be available from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Clerk's office, Town Life Center, 603 N. Bond St., North Manchester; and the Liberty Township Fire Department, 12 S. Wabash

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# Jury hears confession, polygraph results

## State called more witnesses Tuesday after Monday court proceedings were postponed

**By ANDREW MACIEJEWSKI**  
Chronicle-Tribune Editor

Polygraph test analysis, hand-written notes and a taped confession were provided to the jury during the ongoing murder trial Friday.

Testimony was set to continue Monday, but the court proceedings were postponed until Tuesday, according to officials at the Grant County Circuit Court. The trial resumed at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

During Friday's testimony, jurors saw portions of a video taken in the early morning hours on Sept. 4 after Carmack decided to go to the Gas City Police Department to talk with police. Police say

the recorded interview was a confession.

In the video, Carmack was pictured on the ground hyperventilating and sobbing throughout the majority of the video. As officers tried to have Carmack recall the events of Aug. 31, 2019, she tells officers, in the video, that she thinks something happened in the shed. She then said she thinks she grabbed something, possibly a piece of clothing, and possibly tied it around 10-year-old Skylea's neck.

After officers did in fact find Skylea's body in a trash bag in the shed behind Carmack's house, ISP investigators asked Carmack "Know-

ing everything we know now, what should happen to you?"

"I want help," Carmack said before later stating, "... I deserve something terrible," according to the Sept. 4 video.

Investigators then asked Carmack why she came to the police department voluntarily that night, and Carmack responded by saying she had gotten into the shower on Sept. 3 and started to get "flashes of things."


"I knew I had to come in because I told you that if I would remember (anything), I'd tell you," she said in the tape.

The defense has argued that Carmack suffered from a suppressed memory during the incident, and Payne has said that Carmack was under a lot

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# Wabash VFW Post No. 286 to host chicken and noodle dinner

Menu includes chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, corn, dinner roll

STAFF REPORT

The Wabash Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post No. 286 is set to host and

from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30 at 3678 W. Old 24, according to Dan Ford.

The menu will include chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, corn and dinner roll.

The cost will be \$8 per person. Carryout will be available. This event is open to the public.

For more information, call 260-563-2463.

# Wabash Middle School announces first nine weeks honor roll

**Fifth Grade High Honor Roll**  
Quinnlynn Campbell, Kelsey Cooper, Clover Eaton, Piper Ellet, Noah Glenn, Adrian Haughn, Carly Hayslett, Gabriel LePage, Ellie Profett, Cooper Sapusek, Taylin Shepherd, Alyssa Sheridan and Addison Wischman.

Cooper Braelyn Eis, Violet George, Grace Harrington, Rinka Higuera, Haiden McWhirt, Jarrett McWhirt, Paige Miller, Bryan Palmer, Clayton Shepler, Mallor Tart and Harley Zumbun.

**Sixth Grade Regular Honor Roll**  
Lily-Ann Abshire, Brenda Alspach, Randy Boring, Tucker Bradley, Daniela Cardenas, Lucas Coffman, Andi Conliff, Jaylee Daniels, Mia Fairchild, Haylee Figert, Jasmin Garcia, Kalynn Green, Brooklyn Gressley, Sally Harrell, Kordyn Harris, Shailynn Harrison, Destiny Harrison, Javier Hernandez, Lee-airah Hicks, Benjamin Hipskind, Owen Honeycutt, Christy Howard, Syler Keirsey, Brianna Martin, Jaxon McCollum, Karson Mckenzie, Vander Mullen, Aiden Michael-Murray, Quinn Myers, Kiera Newsome, Caylee-Ann Noland, Jess Norris, Colin Patton, Victoria Petty, Oliver Sapusek, Audri Shidler, Averie Turner, Emma VanCamp, Evelyn Walden, Raelee Weeks, Khloye Wood and Kaylea Woodcock.

**Seventh Grade High Honor Roll**  
Ava Bishir, Kendall France, Haylee Friend, Maya Howard, Kaylee Indrutz, Jaycee Jones, Victoria Koselke, Coleson Kugler, Cooper Long, Alison

McCoart, Sean Murray, Jr., Danielle Sarll, Brett Shull, Andrea Stout and Sadie Teel.

**Seventh Grade Regular Honor Roll**  
Kalee Bearman, Bryleigh Boggs, Cole Brooks, Max Carpenter, Isaish Cordes, Brylee Fagan, Ella France, Aaliyah Frasure, Drew Guenin-Hodson, Gabriella Hall, Matthew Hipskind, Keaton Lane, Chalyne Liebo, Eli Mattern, Trinity Music, Emma Ryder, Olivia Shepler, Addison Sisco, Abigail Smith, Jacob Vandgrift, Mya Whitaker and Logan Wright.

**Eighth Grade High Honor Roll**  
Olivia Braun, Ella Colvin, Ella Hartley, Trevor Herron, Nonoka Higuera, Abigail Hipskind, Kenley McWhirt, Kristian Stanton and Emma Weaver.

**Eighth Grade Regular Honor Roll**  
Emma Adams, Paige Arrowwood, Ashrid Burns, Ashton Coffman, Avry Dugan, Chas Harris, Chase Howard, Shaylee Jacobs, Riley King, Olivia Mollett, Jillian Sailors, Makenzie Sarll, Hadley Schuler, Collyn Sellers, Janika Stumbo, Sydney Till, Cole VanCamp, Isabella Vander Velden, Samantha Walter, Madison White, Kamryn Wilcox and Trevor Wuensch.

# Manchester adds diversity and inclusion coordinator for students

Kenny Doss II, a 2019 MU graduate, joins the Office of Multicultural Affairs

By ANNE GREGORY

Manchester University has added a diversity and inclusion coordinator to work with students.

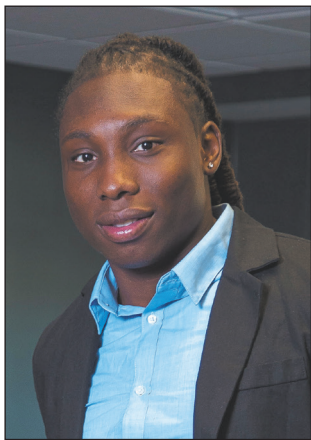
Kenny Doss II, a 2019 MU graduate, joins the Office of Multicultural Affairs. He majored in professional sales.

A student-athlete in the

basketball program while at Manchester, he also managed a nonprofit organization, Bridging the Gap Globally, based in the Englewood community of Chicago. It promotes nonviolence using basketball as the medium.

Doss reports to Maegan Pollonais, director of student diversity and inclusion in the Office of Multicultural Affairs. Their office is in the Jean Childs Young Intercultural Center.

Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.



Kenny Doss II majored in professional sales.

# WCS, St. Bernard announce \$1K award for all kindergarteners to fourth-graders

Eligible students must apply no later than Oct. 31

STAFF REPORT

Wabash City Schools (WCS) and St. Bernard Elementary School have announced an opportunity for students in kindergarten through fourth grades, according to Melissa Ford, Community Foundation of Wabash County development associate.

The WCS Opportunity Award Program will award \$1,000 to eligible WCS and St. Bernard Elementary students.

Ford said WCS has spent the last decade as a state leader in promoting post-secondary education attainment efforts.

In 2015, Wabash High School become one of less than 25 early college high schools in the state of Indiana.

This past year, 20 percent of Wabash High School graduates not only earned their Academic Honor's Diploma

but also their Statewide Transfer General Education Core Certificate through Ivy Tech Community College.

This certificate provided any graduate a full year of college at any state college or university.

The WCS Opportunity Award Program is funded through charitable donations by the friends and alumni of WCS and is administered by the Community Foundation of Wabash County as a part of the Community Foundation Promise Early Award Scholarship Programs.

The \$1,000 WCS Opportunity Award is available upon graduating from Wabash High School and can be used to pay for postsecondary education, including qualifying trade certifications. When combined with the Community Foundation's other Promise Early Award Scholarships, the WCS Opportunity Award affords every Wabash High School graduate beginning with the current fourth grade class of






2029 the opportunity to earn up to \$2,000 in postsecondary funding.

Eligible students include WCS and St. Bernard Elementary students in kindergarten through fourth grades whose parents or guardians agree, by not later than Saturday, Oct. 31, to participate in the Community Foundation Promise Early Award Scholarship Program.

Participation in the Community Foundation's Promise Early Award Program requires a parent or guardian to open for their WCS or St. Bernard Elementary kindergarten through fourth-grade student a Promise linked CollegeChoice 529 account and sign a Community Foundation Early Award participation agreement.





For more information about the program call Nijaul Drollinger at WCS at 260-563-2345, or Tyler Karst, the Wabash County Promise coordinator at the Wabash County YMCA at 260-563-9622.

### 5-Day Weather Summary

 <b>Wednesday</b> Mostly Cloudy 59 / 44	 <b>Thursday</b> Showers Likely 52 / 37	 <b>Friday</b> Few Showers 49 / 30	 <b>Saturday</b> Partly Cloudy 54 / 38	 <b>Sunday</b> Partly Cloudy 55 / 31
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#### Sun and Moon

Today's sunset ..... 6:45 p.m.  
Tomorrow's sunrise ..... 8:08 a.m.

 Full 10/31	 Last 11/8	 New 11/15	 First 11/22
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#### Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 59°, humidity of 61%. Light winds. Expect cloudy skies tonight with a 70% chance of showers, overnight low of 45°. Northeast wind 2 to 12 mph. Thursday, skies will be cloudy with an 85% chance of showers, high of 52°, humidity of 85%.

# Brandi Stackhouse named Beacon Credit Union member center manager

Her new role will be at the Wedcor Avenue location in Wabash

STAFF REPORT

Brandi Stackhouse has been named Member Center Manager of Beacon Credit Union's Wedcor Avenue location in Wabash, according to Kelly Stuber, community relations specialist.

In her new role, Stackhouse will develop and motivate staff qualified to meet the needs of the members while ensuring a professional, courteous, and friendly atmosphere is maintained for mem-

ber-owners.

She will also be responsible for growth in deposit, loans and membership to promote the benefits of membership to the Wabash community.

Stackhouse has been with Beacon for 11 years and most recently served as a Member Service Representative at Beacon's Miami Street location in Wabash. She holds a bachelor's degree in business management from Trine University and has completed the Wabash County Leadership Development Program in 2019.

Stackhouse resides in Wabash with her husband and two children.



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# WCTFC reaches nearly 1,000 students yearly through 'Tobacco Prevention Program'

Events still occurring virtually and outside, while weather permits

STAFF REPORT

It has been "a year of progress, but youth e-cigarette use is still at epidemic levels." Therefore, every student in Wabash County must know about the dangers of tobacco, according to Suzanne Peebles, youth coordinator, and Dan Gray, director, of the Wabash County Tobacco Free Coalition (WCTFC).

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), in partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), released new data from the 2020 National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS), showing 1.8 million fewer U.S. youth currently using e-cigarettes compared to 2019.

FDA stated, "After two years of disturbing increases in youth e-cigarette use, we are encouraged by the overall significant decline reported in 2020."

"Youth use of e-cigarettes remains a public health crisis that is affecting children, families, schools, and communities."

According to the Campaign of Tobacco Free Kids, "one in five high school students, and 3.6 million kids still use e-cigarettes; 83 percent of the youth use flavored products."

The WCTFC is committed to decreasing the use of e-cigarettes and any form of tobacco among the children, families, and schools in Wabash County. Each year, the Coalition speaks to nearly 1,000 students through the "Youth Tobacco Prevention Program." The intent is to present to all second grade, fifth grade, junior high health and high school health students, within each of the three school districts in Wabash County.

The dedicated sponsors, Living Essentials, Parkview Wabash Hospital, United Fund and AAC-TION, fund the purchase of visual aids, and materials for students, teachers and parents. The visuals used, have given the students the ability to better understand what tobacco may do to a person's lungs, brain and teeth.

According to the WCTFC, because of COVID-19, the "Youth Tobacco Prevention Program" is more imperative than before. Tobacco prevention presentations were given personally, and within the classroom, have been paused. However, this year, the WCTFC was awarded an Emergency Relief Grant, funded by the Wabash County United Fund. Through the Emergency Relief Grant, the Coalition can continue the "Youth Tobacco Prevention Program" virtually and outside, while the weather permits. With

the proper equipment, that was purchased with these funds, Zoom and outdoor presentations have been scheduled.


These presentation options, allow the schools and Coalition to adhere to CDC health guidelines, and the new school safety policies. The COVID Relief Fund assisted in the purchase of a camera, lighting, and a wireless microphone headset.

Science has proven that smoking and vaping can increase the possibility of contracting COVID-19. Severe cases of COVID-19 can result in hospitalization or death. According to the CDC, people who smoke, including long-term smokers and e-cigarette users, may be more susceptible to COVID-19. People with smoking-related chronic illnesses, such as lung disease, heart disease, and diabetes, may be

at an enhanced risk of developing COVID-19 related complications. This information alone is a strong motivation to continue to strive to prevent the children and teens in Wabash County schools from ever using any form of tobacco and e-cigarette products.

According to Peebles, the Coalition has completed 23 "Tobacco Prevention" presentations this semester, to 456 Wabash county students.

For more information, call 260-274-2920.



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### Forest stewardship poster contest announced

The 2021 posters will be collected by Feb. 1, 2021

**STAFF REPORT**

The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) Stewardship and Education Committee are pleased to announce the 2021 Poster Contest and Stewardship Week theme, “Healthy Forests=Healthy Communities.” according to Tashina Lahr-Manifold, executive director for the Wabash County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD). Lahr-Manifold said trees and forests are critical to providing clean air and water, healthy soil, abundant wildlife habitat, and valuable products we use every day. Each of us must do our part to care for trees. The poster contest is a great way for kids to learn more about trees and spread awareness of the topic. The annual NACD and NACD Auxiliary Poster Contest gives students from kindergarten through 12th grade the opportunity to have their art displayed as part of a national conservation outreach initiative. Each year, the winning posters reflect NACD’s annual Stewardship theme and highlight the work of conservation districts and

their state conservation associations, auxiliaries, and agencies to protect and enhance natural resources. Wabash County SWCD will be sponsoring our fourth local Kids Conservation Poster Contest. The contest is open to public, private, and home-schooled students within the third- and fourth-grade levels. The fourth-grade winner selected from 2020 was Austin Morgan. The third-grade winner selected was Josie Bakehorn. Their posters received public recognition at the SWCD 75th Annual Meeting, on March 4. The winners received a monetary prize, sponsored by Wabash County SWCD. The 2021 posters will be collected by Feb. 1, 2021 and judged at the Wabash County SWCD February Board Meeting. The posters are ranked, based on Conservation Message, Visual Effectiveness, Originality, and Universal Appeal. Any media may be used including paint, crayon, colored pencil or charcoal. The poster size must be 14 inches by 22 inches, which is half a poster. Rules, entry forms and other resources for the 2021 Poster Contest will be available in the office at 599 Bryan Ave. For more information, visit <https://wabashswcd.org/> or call 260-563-7486, ext. 3.

### Thomas M. ‘Tom’ Buga

July 30, 1939 – Oct 22, 2020

Thomas M. “Tom” Buga, 81, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 11:23 pm, Thursday, October 22, 2020 in Huntington County, Indiana. He was born July 30, 1939 in Lorain, Ohio, to Louie and Margaret (Petrovich) Buga. Tom was a 1957 graduate of Brookside High School in Lorain, Ohio. He married Dolores Kacsandi in Lorain, on June 1, 1973. He worked for General Motors in Marion, Indiana and Elyria, Ohio, retiring after 35 years. Tom enjoyed watching bowling and boxing on television. He is survived by his wife, Dolores Buga of Wabash, two children, Thomas M. (JoAnn) Buga II of Wabash, and Kimberly D.B. (Russell) Woodward of Indianapolis, Indiana, four grandchildren, and his sister, Margaret (Paul) Gerhart of Three Lakes, Wisconsin. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, and one sister. There will be no services. Arrangements by Grandstaff-Hengtgen Funeral Service, Wabash. The memorial guest book for Tom may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hengtgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hengtgen.com).

### Ann Curtis

Jan 29, 1944 – Oct 23, 2020

Ann Curtis, 76, Wabash, formerly of North Manchester, died October 23, 2020. Ann was born January 29, 1944 to Donald R. and Katherine (Hoover) Spicer. Ann Curtis is survived by her sons, Jeff (Julie) Curtis and Jamie (Lori) Curtis; daughter, Carole (Richard) Weller; sister, Donna (Jerry) Zimmerman; grandchildren, Jimmy Curtis, Zac Curtis, Cody Curtis, Katherine Weller, and Jordan Weller; companion, Ed Bever. Calling Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Congregational Christian Church, 310 North Walnut Street, North Manchester. A Celebration of Life service will begin at the conclusion of calling. Arrangements are entrusted to McKee Mortuary.

### PENDING SERVICES

**Nancy Ann McCarty, 76, of Roann, Indiana, died at 8:38 pm Thursday, October 22, 2020 at Millers Merry Manor East in Wabash.** She is survived by her husband Billy. Arrangements are Pending at Grandstaff-Hengtgen Funeral Service, Roann, Indiana.

### Marjorie Ellen McCoshim Summers

Feb 14, 1929 – Oct 22, 2020



Marjorie Ellen McCoshim Summers, 91, of rural Lagro, Indiana, died at 3:35 pm, Thursday, October 22, 2020 at Miller’s Merry Manor West in Wabash. She was born February 14, 1929 in Chicago, Illinois, to William T. and Ellen M. (Yagerlener) Reichard. Marjorie was a 1947 graduate of Lagro High School. She married James D. Summers at the Lincolnville E.U.B. Church on March 6, 1949; he died April 17, 2020, after 71 years of marriage. Marjorie was a homemaker and a farmer’s wife. She was a member of the Lincolnville United Methodist Church. Marjorie was an excellent cook, and enjoyed reading, doing crafts, sewing, and quilting. She is survived by two children, Janice (Ron) Haney of Wabash, and William R. Summers of Lagro, Indiana, granddaughter, Cori (Bryon) Horn and great-granddaughter, Ava Mae Horn, both of Columbus, Indiana, and her step brother, Charles Reichard, Jr. of Bluff City, Tennessee. She was also preceded in death by her parents. Graveside services and burial were held at 2:00 pm, Tuesday, October 27, 2020, at Mississinewa Cemetery, Somerset, Rev. John Cook officiated. Arrangements by Grandstaff-Hengtgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Preferred memorial is Lincolnville United Methodist Church. The memorial guest book for Marjorie may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hengtgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hengtgen.com).

### Leanna Johnson

May 13, 1924 – Oct 25, 2020

Leanna Johnson, 96, North Manchester, died October 25, 2020. Leanna was born on May 13, 1924 in Wabash County, to Sherman A. and Iva A. (Montel) Rhoades. Leanna Johnson is survived by her son, Randall “Randy” Johnson; daughter-in-law, Pamela Johnson; brother, Dorsey (Barbara) Rhoades; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren. Calling Friday, October 30, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at McKee Mortuary, 1401 State Road 114 West, North Manchester. Funeral services will start at the conclusion of calling. Burial will be at Oaklawn Cemetery, 600 Beckley Street, North Manchester, Indiana. Arrangements are entrusted to McKee Mortuary.

## Indiana receives 10-year extension of Healthy Indiana Plan

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The state has received federal approval to continue for 10 more years its Healthy Indiana Plan medical savings account that enrolls more than 572,000 low-income adult Hoosiers. Gov. Eric Holcomb announced the approval from the Centers for Medicare

and Medicaid Services on Monday. “State innovation is an opportunity to test out ideas for delivering our ultimate goal of better health and well-being, and we encourage states to continue working with us, like Indiana has, to tailor their programs to their unique needs,” U.S.

Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar said. The program engages members to be active participants in their health care coverage. In 2018, members made more than 545,000 visits for preventive services, and mammograms and vaccinations are at record highs for mem-

bers. The program combats Indiana’s top contributor to chronic disease – smoking – by waiving copays and covering all therapies. The program is funded by Medicaid. After the Affordable Care Act passed in 2010, Indiana won approval to transform HIP into the state’s Medicaid expansion

program. The federal government provides 90 percent of the funding. However, a multistate lawsuit that would eliminate the Affordable Care Act. The suit is scheduled to come before the U.S. Supreme Court on Nov. 10, and the court is expected to rule before its term ends in June.

Typically, the state’s waiver to renew HIP is reviewed and approved every three to four years. The HIP approval marks the first time the federal agency has approved a state’s Medicaid waiver for a comprehensive health benefits program for a period of ten years.

## New in power, Indiana House leader faces tough election race

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INDIANAPOLIS — Big money has been pouring in for a closing days rush to protect the legislative seat for one of the top Republicans in the Indiana Statehouse. Indiana House Speaker Todd Huston is trying to hold onto his suburban Indianapolis district that’s shifted away from reliably Republican as he faces his first election since March, when he took over the powerful position that controls much of the General Assembly’s action. Huston’s seat is among those being targeted by Democrats as they look to break the two-thirds supermajority House Republicans have had for the past eight years. Republicans will almost assuredly keep a sizeable House majority, but GOP organizations and business lobbying groups have written checks for more than \$350,000 to Huston’s campaign just since

the beginning of October, state campaign finance reports show. That pushes his bankroll past \$1.2 million as he faces Democratic challenger Aimee Rivera Cole, who received 46 percent of the vote against Huston two years ago. That Fishers district is among a cluster of legislative seats across the northern Indianapolis suburbs that Democrats are working to seize, potentially benefiting from the national shift of suburban woman away from Republicans under President Donald Trump that has also led to a tight campaign for the area’s congressional seat. Huston has spent heavily on Indianapolis TV advertising, saying “This is not a year to not take every possible consideration.” He said he also tries not to wade into debates over national politics. “I say ‘I’ve got all the same frustrations with the federal government as you do, but that’s not my role,’” Huston

said. “My role is to help and put the state on a good path.” Cole and Democratic candidates in nearby suburban districts have tried to paint the Republican incumbents as fallen out of step with voters. In a black-and-white TV commercial styled on a 1950s comedy, Huston and Rep. Jerry Torr of Carmel are labeled as “wrong for today’s Hamilton County” over votes on gay rights and abortion. Cole, who is a lawyer for Travelers Insurance Co., said she has heard from voters that defeating Huston would demonstrate the frustration some people have over education funding and other issues. “I do think it would send a pretty strong message,” Cole said. “All of these races being so close in this area send a message that values that are important to us aren’t being adequately represented.” About a dozen of the 100 Indiana House seats appear most targeted by the political

parties in Tuesday’s election. Besides Huston and Torr, Democrats are also trying to defeat Rep. Donna Schaibley in a northern suburb district and Rep. Cindy Kirchhofer on the east side of Indianapolis. Close outcomes are possible for South Bend-area seats currently held by GOP Rep. Dale Devon and Democratic Rep. Ross Deal, along with Republican Rep. Martin Carbaugh in Fort Wayne. But state Republicans are using a massive fundraising advantage to go after several Democratic legislators. Between the legislative campaign committees and the state party organizations, Republicans had raised about \$12 million through the end of October to roughly \$5 million for Democrats. Two Democrats in northwestern Indiana’s Lake County — Lisa Beck and Chris Chyung — are facing rematches for GOP legislators they narrowly defeated in 2018.

## State provides first look at COVID-19 vaccination plans

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — State health officials have released a first look at Indiana’s plan for distributing a COVID-19 vaccine, whenever one becomes available. The Indiana State Department of Health released its interim draft last Tuesday, and it indicates that a phased approach will be used to dole out the vaccine. Healthcare workers will be the first to get inoculated. That group includes employees at hospitals, long-term care facilities, outpatient facilities and pharmacies, as well as emergency medical service providers and anyone working with COVID-19 diagnostic and immunization teams. Vulnerable groups, such as people 65 years or older and those with underlying health conditions,

will follow. The next phase of Indiana’s plan focuses on mitigating the virus’ spread by vaccinating people who can’t work from home, including teachers, food service workers, firefighters and police officers. In the third phase, health officials anticipate distributing the vaccine publicly to all other Hoosiers. The timeline for doing so, however, remains unclear. All states were required to submit similar draft distribution plans to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. A vaccine has not yet been approved by the Food and Drug Administration. President Donald Trump promised during the closing presidential debate last Thursday that a vaccine would be ready in a matter of weeks.



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## DAILY SCRIPTURE

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourself.

**Philippians 2:3**

# The case against Donald Trump

In 1973, a United States Air Force officer, Major Harold Hering, asked a question that the Air Force did not want asked. Hering, a decorated Vietnam War veteran, was then in training to become a Minuteman-missile crewman. The question he asked one of his instructors was this: "How can I know that an order I receive to launch my missiles came from a sane president?"

The writer Ron Rosenbaum would later call this the "forbidden question." Missile officers are allowed to ask certain sorts of questions – about the various fail-safe systems built to prevent the accidental launching of nuclear weapons, for instance. But the Air Force would not answer Hering's question, and it moved to discharge him after determining that officers responsible for launching nuclear weapons did not "need to know" the answer. "I have to say I feel I do have a need to know because I am a human being," Hering said in response.

Hering's question was taboo because the national defense strategy of the United States is built on the unstated assumption that the American people will not allow a lunatic to become president. If that assumption is wrong, then no procedural, legal, or technological mechanisms exist that are able to fully protect the human race from such a lunatic. Hering discovered a catastrophic flaw in U.S. nuclear doctrine, and for this he was driven from the Air Force.

In most matters related to the governance and defense of the United States, the president is constrained by competing branches of government and by an intricate web of laws and customs. Only in one crucial area does the president resemble, in the words of the former missile officer and scholar Bruce Blair, an absolute monarch – his control of nuclear weapons. Richard Nixon, who was president when Major Hering asked his question, was reported to have told members of Congress at a White House dinner party, "I could leave this room and in 25 minutes, 70 million people would be dead." This was an alarming but accurate statement.

When contemplating their ballots, Americans should ask which candidate in a presidential contest is better equipped to guide the United States through a national-security crisis without triggering a nuclear exchange, and which candidate is better equipped to interpret – within five or seven minutes – the ambiguous, complicated, and contradictory signals that could suggest an imminent nuclear attack. These are certainly not questions that large numbers of voters asked themselves in 2016, when a transparently unqualified candidate for president won the support of 63 million Americans.

At the time, Donald Trump had not yet served in public office, so concerns about his ability to protect the United States from harm were hypothetical, though grounded in his long and terrible record as a human being. As The Atlantic stated in its October 2016 endorsement of his opponent, Hillary Clinton, Trump "traffics in conspiracy theories and racist invective; he is appallingly sexist; he is erratic, secretive, and xenophobic; he expresses admiration for authoritarian rulers, and evinces authoritarian tendencies himself ... He is an enemy of fact-based discourse; he is ignorant of, and indifferent to, the Constitution; he appears not to read."

What we have learned since we published that editorial is that we understated our case. Donald Trump is the worst president this country has seen since Andrew Johnson, or perhaps James Buchanan, or perhaps ever. Trump has brought our country low; he has divided our people; he has pitted race against race; he has corrupted our democracy; he has shown contempt for American ideals; he has made cruelty a sacrament; he has provided comfort to propagators of hate; he has abandoned America's allies; he has aligned himself with dictators; he has encouraged terrorism and mob violence; he has undermined the agencies and departments of government; he has despoiled the environment; he has opposed free speech; he has lied frenetically and evangelized for conspiracism; he has stolen

children from their parents; he has made himself an advocate of a hostile foreign power; and he has failed to protect America from a ravaging virus. Trump is not responsible for all of the 220,000 COVID-19-related deaths in America. But through his avarice and ignorance and negligence and titanic incompetence, he has allowed tens of thousands of Americans to suffer and die, many alone, all needlessly. With each passing day, his presidency reaps more death.

But let us lay all of this aside for the moment. Let us even lay aside the extraordinary fact that Donald Trump has been credibly accused of rape. Compelling evidence suggests that his countless sins and defects are rooted in mental instability, pathological narcissism, and profound moral and cognitive impairment. Which returns us to the subject of Major Hering.

Trump's opponent, Joe Biden, is in many ways a typically imperfect candidate, but if we judge these men on two questions alone – Who is a more trustworthy steward of America's nuclear arsenal? Which man poses less of a threat to our collective existence? – the answer is spectacularly obvious.

The Atlantic has endorsed only three candidates in its 163-year history: Abraham Lincoln, Lyndon B. Johnson and Hillary Clinton. The latter two endorsements had more to do with the qualities of Barry Goldwater and Donald Trump than with those of Johnson and Clinton. The same holds true in the case of Joe Biden. Biden is a man of experience, maturity, and obvious humanity, but had the Republican Party put forward a credible candidate for president, we would have felt no compulsion to state a preference. Donald Trump, however, is a clear and continuing danger to the United States, and it does not seem likely that our country would be able to emerge whole from four more years of his misrule. Two men are running for president. One is a terrible man; the other is a decent man. Vote for the decent man.

*This editorial was first published in The Atlantic.*

## Absentee voting a popular option for Hoosiers

As I write this, Indiana is experiencing a record surge in COVID-19 cases. We currently sit at a hospitalization rate that is the highest since we were still partially locked down in May. Right now, 17 percent of Hoosiers who have been hospitalized have died. This isn't fear-mongering; these are the facts.

Luckily back in May, every single Hoosier who was registered to vote had the option to keep themselves safe during our primary election season. Anyone could request an absentee ballot be sent to their homes. Such a policy made sense, as Hoosiers want to be able to exercise their right

to vote while still being pragmatic and safe during this pandemic. Over half a million Hoosiers ended up requesting a mailed absentee ballot.

Yet, now as cases rise to greater numbers than they were in May and hospitalizations quickly climb to May levels, Hoosiers are told that they must go vote in person. Unless you qualify for one of 11 specific reasons, our governor and secretary of state are telling you that you must go to the polling place to vote. Unfortunately, just being a part of a vulnerable population or taking the personal responsibility to avoid COVID-19 exposure are not acceptable reasons to vote absentee.

Day after day since early voting started, many Hoosiers have waited in line for hours to vote at their local polling place. In the middle of a pandemic, as our governor is pleading with Hoosiers to make the personal decisions to stay home and not gather in groups, he also refuses to give Hoosiers the option to vote safely from home.

Many warned about people having to stand in long lines to vote in person amid a public health crisis. Even more, we were warned that the 2020 general election would most likely occur in the midst of a second, potentially worse, resurgence of the virus. Now, it is happening before our eyes. Shame on the governor and his administration. Hoosiers deserve the chance to safely and legally vote absentee.

Even worse, our governor doesn't seem to care to enforce his mask mandate in polling places. He routinely touts that masks are an effective way to stop the spread of COVID-19, yet he and Secretary of State Lawson have allowed a county clerk to refuse to wear a mask in a county that is seeing a record surge of the disease. Governor Holcomb, you cannot claim to oversee a safe election process during this pandemic while refusing to enforce a rule that would help keep voters healthy.

The governor cannot pretend to want to keep voters safe while allowing election officials to ignore science-backed protection measures. I'm afraid this is what happens under the arrogance of one-party rule that has to bow to the farthest extremes of its party members. Why don't you trust Hoosiers to be able to safely and securely vote absentee in the mail?

Right now our state is on the losing side of this issue. Indiana is one of only five states that doesn't allow anyone who wants to vote in the mail to do so during this pandemic. Why would our governor want to be on a list of states that make it more difficult for hard-working Americans to vote during a health emergency? Shouldn't Indiana be a leader in making sure that its citizens can always find a way to cast their vote safely?

Well, if the governor is waiting for the legislature to weigh in on this issue, then I hope we can count on his public support of a bill to allow no-excuse absentee voting during the legislative session. I see no reason why the whole legislature and the governor couldn't pass this measure into law, especially since Senate Republicans already signaled their support of such a bill in 2018. Failure to pass a no-excuse absentee voting bill next year would be a slap in the face to Hoosiers across the state.

Gov. Holcomb, if you truly trust Hoosiers like you say you do, then you should trust them to be able to cast their vote without fault in the mail in any election. Voting is our right, and I will fervently protect that right in our state.

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**Sen. Tim Lanane**



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TRUMP SEEMED A MORE PRESIDENTIAL INEPT,  
NARCISSIST, CRAZY LIAR.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### On the conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan

On Oct. 16, Armenia launched a Scud ballistic missile at Ganja, Azerbaijan's second-largest city, from the territory of the Republic of Armenia, destroying 20 residential buildings and killing at least 12 civilians. Armenia is a member of the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO), run by the Kremlin, and has repeatedly threatened to launch "preemptive strikes" and "cause irreversible damage" to US ally Azerbaijan, including striking oil and gas infrastructure operated by Western companies

Last week, it launched missiles at the US-backed BTC oil pipeline. In August, Russia shipped 400 tons of arms to Armenia to launch an attack on Azerbaijan.

**Naida Khalilova  
Fort Wayne**

### America should follow EU's lead on cultured meat research

I was pleased to learn the European Union invested 2.7 million euros of public funds into Meat4All, a Spanish-based consortium researching cultured-meat. For those who don't know, cultured meat is grown from cells, without slaughtering animals.

The United States should invest more resources to help develop this revolutionary protein, which will benefit human health, the environment and animal welfare.

Dr. Mark Post debuted the first cultured-beef hamburger in 2013. It cost an astonishing \$280,000 to produce. Since that time, the price has dropped substantially. Post believes a similar burger will cost \$10 to make soon. As wonderful as this progress is, the price will need to be reduced further to compete with slaughtered meat. This can be achieved by publicly-funded research.

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# Southwood triumphs against Northfield

The Knights and Norseman go head to head in sectionals

By ALINA REED  
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In a game that was uncertain to happen due to concerns over COVID-19 infections, Northfield traveled to Southwood to play in the opening round of the IHSAA Sectional Football Tournament. A cold and rainy night set the tone for most of the game, making its impact on the very first drive.

The Norsemen received the opening kickoff, and on the second play from scrimmage a run play saw the ball knocked loose, with Southwood senior, Logan Barley recovering. Set up in close field position senior quarterback Alex Farr got to work right away, connecting with senior Carson Rich for an 8-yard completion leading to a first down. Facing a 4th and 18, the Knights went for it, and were able to convert as Farr found Rich again for a 19-yard completion.

On the very next play, Farr connected with Rich once again as he walked into the end zone from the 4-yard line giving Southwood a 7-0 lead.

After the Norse defense was able to hold their ground on the next possession, a punt forced them to start deep in their territory. As Northfield's senior quarterback, Jake Halderman, dropped back to throw his first pass of the game, Southwood senior, Elijah Sutton, jumped the passing lane and intercepted the ball returning it for a touchdown, building Southwood's early lead to 14-0.

Northfield was unable to gain anything on their next possession, forcing the ball back into Southwood's hands. The Norse defense was then able to make a huge stop as senior Alex Hauptert grabbed an interception setting the Norse up with great field position.

Despite the good position, Northfield fumbled on the following play, with Southwood senior, Memphis Hiner jumping on top of it. With the first half winding down Southwood looked to build their lead as Farr scrambled for a 10-yard gain, putting the Knights around midfield. Facing a 4th and



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Southwood's Elijah Sutton and Jaret Denny tackling Northfield's Clayton Tomlinson as he attempts to make it to the end zone.

4, with a minute to go in the half, Farr kept the ball himself, found an open lane, and took it to the house for a 42-yard rushing touchdown. This final score of the half sent the Knights into halftime with a 20-0 lead.

Both teams were able to make a defensive stop to start the second half, but it was Southwood who once again was able to find the end zone. The Knights used chunk plays from Sutton and Rich to take them into the red zone before Farr kept the ball again and waltzed into the end zone for a 12-yard touchdown, giving the Knights a 26-0 lead.

On Northfields very next play from scrimmage, the ball came loose again with Sutton jumping on it, continuing his great night on both sides of the ball. The Knights had great field position once again, and Farr was able to connect with Rich for a big third-down conversion, before finding Rich in the

end zone once again, for a 10-yard touchdown, helping Southwood's lead grow to 33-0.

The final score of the night came as Southwood sophomore Morgan Lloyd recovered a fumble, giving the Knights great field position once again. Unable to score another touchdown, Rich was able to connect on a 32-yard field goal, sending the Knights home victorious with a final score of 36-0.

When asked about the crazy week Southwood faced with the uncertainty of playing, Sutton responded, "It was a rollercoaster of emotions, everything we've gone through this week. It was a feeling like no other being able to play this game, and it was a feeling me and my team will never forget. Getting the chance to play under the Friday night lights was amazing because we weren't sure it would be able to happen. There's definitely still more work to be done, and we're already looking forward to

next week."

Sutton finished his defensive masterpiece with a fumble recovery, an interception, and a touchdown.

"We had many injuries to start the year and battled them throughout the season. Our guys played through them as best as we could. I applaud their toughness for that. We finished the season with 24 healthy players.

We had to get creative on how we practiced because we'd have guys that had to sit out to try and get healthy. They never complained. They just did whatever they could to keep playing. That mindset will take them far in life," said Northfield head coach Brandon Baker.

Southwood will look to continue advancing through the IHSAA State Tournament on Friday, Oct. 30 as they play host to Caston.

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# Southwood's Sweet is the lone state qualifier

The boys race will begin at 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31 in Terre Haute

By ROY CHURCH

Southwood senior Braden Sweet is Wabash County's lone qualifier for Saturday's IHSAA State Finals Cross Country Meet.

Sweet finished 16th Saturday at the New Haven Semi-state event, run on Huntington University's course, in 16:08.4, well off his winning time of 15:48.1 at the Marion Regional Oct. 17. That time was a Personal Record (PR) and Southwood record and gave him a very narrow (2/100th of a second) victory over Belmont's Deion Guise.

Guise came back to edge Sweet at the semi-state by 5/100th of a second. Almost everyone's times were slower over the Huntington course, even that of winner Izaiah Steury of Angola. Coming into the meet with the fastest time in the state (15:20), he finished in 15:25.7 in a runaway.

Sweet will be making his second trip to the state finals at the La-Vern Gibson Championship Cross Country Course, Wabash Valley Sports Center, in Terre Haute. He finished 35th in 2019.

The boys race will begin at 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31. Tickets are \$10 and must be purchased online at GoFan ticketing. The girls race will start at 11:30 a.m.

"I plan to take it easy this week in practice so I'll be fresh on Saturday," Sweet said. Then he plans to "push it to the limit and leave it all out there" on the rolling, hilly course that he has competed on twice before. He said he is going in ranked 40th.

In other semi-state action at Huntington, the Wabash boys finished 12th in the team standings and did not qualify for the state meet. However, they did get more revenge on

teams that beat them the past two weeks at sectional and regional.

Their placing put them ahead of Huntington North, which finished second at sectionals and fourth at regional, and Oak Hill, which won sectional and was second at regional. The Apaches were third at both those meets. It was Wabash's fourth straight trip to semi-state.

Competing for Wabash were senior Zack Reed, 41st in 16:43.8; sophomore David Ford, 48th in 16:49.8; senior Jarrett Wilson, 62nd in 17:02.8; freshman Kaden Vogel, 100th in 17:31.3; freshman Troy Guenin-Hodson, 118th in 17:43.0; senior Caelan McDougle, 17:48.2, and freshman Trevor Daughtry, 159th in 18:26.3.

"It's always tough when a season ends, especially when you are working with a great group of young men," Wabash Head Coach Ryan Evans said. "You just don't want the last meet to come.

"As a coach, you always go back and think what if. What if I would've had them run another mile here or another mile there? Could we have done more tempo at a certain point in the season? Did they get worked hard enough during the repeats? Should we have run more hills? The list goes on and on.

He continued, "These seniors have left a dramatic impact on the future of the program and will be greatly missed. I have been humbled to know them and to work with them. I look forward to building upon the success of this team next fall."

Belmont, which won the Marion Regional, finished ninth Saturday. The top six teams at each of the four semi-states advances to the state finals.

The New Haven Semi-state's boys title was won by No.6-ranked Hamilton Southeastern with 109 points. Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, the defending state champion and ranked No.8 this week

in the coaches' poll, tied No.5-ranked Fishers for second with 124 points, but Concordia claimed the runner-up spot based on the sixth runner's finish. Also qualifying for state were No. 25 Carroll (Fort Wayne), No. 19 Goshen and No. 21 Penn.

Northfield senior Andrew Burns, running as an individual, finished 156th in 18:19.2. He qualified with a 24th-place finish at regional.

In the girls race at Huntington, No.1-ranked Carroll (Fort Wayne) won, followed by No. 4 Hamilton Southeastern, No. 13 Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, No. 17 Fishers, No. 6 Penn and No. 25 Homestead.

(Editor's note: This publication incorrectly reported last week that Northfield freshman Mara Zolman had qualified for the New Haven Semi-State when, in fact, she hadn't. The author apologizes for the error and any embarrassment it may have caused.)

At the New Prairie Semi-State, Manchester was unable to get its boys team through, senior Carter Bedke just missed qualifying as an individual and sophomore Josie Briner also fell short of qualifying for state.

Bedke finished 18th overall in 16:35.8 Saturday, more than five seconds faster than his third-place time at the Logansport Regional. "Unfortunately, he was just one place and one second from qualifying for state," Head Coach Jody Sarber said.

Behind Bedke for the Squires were junior Cade Jones (156th in 18:39.7), junior Lane Stetzel (166th in 19:05.8), sophomore Raven King (167th in 19:05.9), freshman Jacob Hesting (172nd in 19:30.8), senior Kedrick Metzger (177th in 19:54.3) and sophomore Caden Marcum (178th in 20:22.2).

Senior Lucas Guerra of Highland won the boys race in 15:26.7.

No. 20 Chesterton won the team title, followed by Warsaw (the

Manchester Sectional and Logansport Regional champion), No. 18 Crown Point, No. 24 Lake Central, Western and Munster. Manchester was 20th.

Briner, in her second semi-state (the girls team qualified in 2019), finished 74th in 20:51.9. Last year she was 63rd.

"For Josie and many of the boys, we are glad they gained this experience today for next year," the Sarber added.

## Elsewhere

No. 1-ranked Columbus North, where former Northfield standout Andy Keffaber ('95) is assistant coach, won the Brown County Semi-State easily Saturday and his former head coach, IATCCC Hall of Famer Dick Leming, was on hand for the celebration.

"We had a good day," Keffaber said. "Our top five were among the top 11 finishers."

The champions defeated No.10 Floyd Central by 94 points, No. 12 Bloomington North, No. 15 Bloomington South, Jasper and Northview. "Next week should be very interesting."

Former Wabash standout, Mary Ann (Cosby) Abramson ('90), was not as fortunate. An assistant girls coach at Avon, along with her daughter Malyka, her squad finished 13th at the Shelbyville Semi-State.

The field included the winner, No. 1-ranked Carmel, No. 7 Franklin Central, No.5 Zionsville, No. 10 North Central and No. 16 Noblesville in the top five and No. 8 Westfield and No. 12 Brownsburg missing the cut.

Another former Northfield runner, Darren Hauptert ('01), ended his season when the Rossville boys team finished 19th at the New Prairie Semi-State. It had placed fifth at the Harrison (West Lafayette) Regional.

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<b>College Football Schedule</b> <b>Thursday, Oct. 29</b> South Alabama (3-2) at Georgia Southern (3-2), 7:30 p.m. Colorado St. at Fresno St. (0-1), 10 p.m. <b>Friday, Oct. 30</b> Marshall (5-0) at FIU (0-3), 7 p.m. SE Missouri at S. Illinois, 7 p.m. Minnesota (0-1) at Maryland (0-1), 7:30 p.m. East Carolina (1-3) at Tulsa (2-1), 9 p.m. Hawaii (1-0) at Wyoming (0-1), 9:45 p.m. <b>Saturday, Oct. 31</b> Wake Forest (3-2) at Syracuse (1-5), Noon Kansas St. (4-1) at West Virginia (3-2), Noon Boston College (4-2) at Clemson (6-0), Noon Temple (1-2) at Tulane (2-4), Noon Georgia (3-1) at Kentucky (2-3), Noon Coastal Carolina (5-0) at Georgia St. (2-2), Noon UTSA (4-3) at FAU (1-1), Noon Michigan St. (0-1) at Michigan (1-0), Noon Memphis (3-1) at Cincinnati (4-0), Noon Purdue (1-0) at Illinois (0-1), Noon Iowa St. (3-2) at Kansas (0-5), Noon North Texas (2-3) at UTEP (3-3), 2 p.m. UCF (3-2) at Houston (2-1), 2 p.m. Western Colorado at SF Austin (3-3), 3 p.m. Troy (3-2) at Arkansas St. (3-3), 3 p.m. Rice (0-1) at Southern Miss. (1-4), 3 p.m. Abilene Christ. (0-3) at Mercer (0-2), 3 p.m. Notre Dame (5-0) at Georgia Tech (2-4), 3:30 p.m. UAB (4-2) at Louisiana Tech (3-3), 3:30 p.m. LSU (2-2) at Auburn (3-2), 3:30 p.m. Indiana (1-0) at Rutgers (1-0), 3:30 p.m. Northwestern (1-0) at Iowa (0-1), 3:30 p.m. Wisconsin (1-0) at Nebraska (0-1), 3:30 p.m. TCU (1-3) at Baylor (1-2), 3:30 p.m. MWSU at Cent. Arkansas (3-4), 4 p.m. Texas (3-2) at Oklahoma St. (4-0), 4 p.m. Mississippi (1-4) at Vanderbilt (0-3), 4 p.m. App. State (3-1) at La.-Monroe (0-6), 4 p.m. Virginia Tech (3-2) at Louisville (2-4), 4 p.m. Boise St. (1-0) at Air Force (1-1), 6 p.m. Mississippi St. (1-3) at Alabama (5-0), 7 p.m. Charlotte (2-2) at Duke (1-5), 7 p.m. New Mexico at San Jose St. (1-0), 7 p.m. Missouri (2-2) at Florida (2-1), 7:30 p.m. Ohio St. (1-0) at Penn St. (0-1), 7:30 p.m. Navy (3-3) at SMU (5-1), 7:30 p.m. Arkansas (2-2) at Texas A&M (3-1), 7:30 p.m. La.-Lafayette (4-1) at TX State (1-6), 8 p.m. Oklahoma (3-2) at Texas Tech (2-3), 8 p.m. North Carolina (4-1) at Virginia (1-4), 8 p.m. SDSU (1-0) at Utah St. (0-1), 9:30 p.m. W. Kentucky (2-4) at BYU (6-0), 10:15 p.m. Nevada (1-0) at UNLV (0-1), 10:30 p.m.	

**AP Top 25**  
The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Oct. 24, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Clemson (52)	6-0	1539	1
2. Alabama (10)	5-0	1494	2
3. Ohio St.	1-0	1402	5
4. Notre Dame	5-0	1353	3
5. Georgia	3-1	1292	4
6. Oklahoma St.	4-0	1201	6
7. Cincinnati	4-0	1100	9
8. Texas A&M	3-1	1094	7
9. Wisconsin	1-0	950	14
10. Florida	2-1	933	10
11. BYU	6-0	906	12
12. Miami	5-1	888	11
13. Michigan	1-0	839	18
14. Oregon	0-0	784	13
15. North Carolina	4-1	758	14
16. Kansas St.	4-1	562	20
17. Indiana	1-0	466	-
18. Penn St.	0-1	443	8
19. Marshall	5-0	379	22
20. Coastal Carolina	5-0	282	25
21. Southern Cal	0-0	243	24
22. SMU	5-1	208	16
23. Iowa St.	3-2	205	17
24. Oklahoma	3-2	155	-
25. Boise St.	1-0	113	-
Others receiving votes: Memphis 105, Liberty 85, Tulsa 80, Louisiana-Lafayette 50, Army 44, Auburn 41, Minnesota 40, Utah 36, Northwestern 20, Washington 15, Arkansas 15, Purdue 8, Arizona St. 7, Appalachian St. 6, California 4, Boston College 2, Texas 2, San Diego St. 1.			

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<b>AMERICAN CONFERENCE</b>	
<b>East</b>	
Buffalo	W L T Pct PF PA
Miami	5 2 0 .714 174 178
New England	3 3 0 .500 176 243
N.Y. Jets	2 4 0 .333 115 143
	0 7 0 .000 85 203
<b>South</b>	
Tennessee	W L T Pct PF PA
Indianapolis	5 1 0 .833 188 153
Houston	4 2 0 .666 157 115
Jacksonville	1 6 0 .142 166 217
	1 6 0 .142 154 220
<b>North</b>	
Pittsburgh	W L T Pct PF PA
Baltimore	6 0 0 1.000 183 118
Cleveland	5 1 0 .833 179 104
Cincinnati	5 2 0 .714 200 221
	1 5 1 .214 162 194
<b>West</b>	
Kansas City	W L T Pct PF PA
Las Vegas	6 1 0 .857 218 143
Denver	3 3 0 .500 171 197
L.A. Chargers	2 4 0 .333 116 153
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<b>NATIONAL CONFERENCE</b>	
<b>East</b>	
Phila.	W L T Pct PF PA
Dallas	2 4 1 .357 163 196
Washington	2 5 0 .285 176 243
N.Y. Giants	2 5 0 .285 133 165
	1 6 0 .142 122 174
<b>South</b>	
Tampa Bay	W L T Pct PF PA
New Orleans	5 2 0 .714 222 142
Carolina	4 2 0 .666 180 174
Atlanta	3 4 0 .428 162 168
	1 6 0 .142 184 207
<b>North</b>	
Green Bay	W L T Pct PF PA
Chicago	5 1 0 .833 197 159
Detroit	5 2 0 .714 138 140
Minnesota	3 3 0 .500 156 165
	1 5 0 .166 155 192
<b>West</b>	
Seattle	W L T Pct PF PA
Arizona	5 1 0 .833 203 172
L.A. Rams	5 2 0 .714 203 146
San Francisco	5 2 0 .714 176 124
	4 3 0 .571 181 136
<b>Monday's Game</b>	
L.A. Rams 24, Chicago 10	
<b>Thursday, Oct. 29</b>	
Atlanta at Carolina, 8:20 p.m.	
<b>Sunday, Nov. 1</b>	
Tennessee at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.	
N.Y. Jets at Kansas City, 1 p.m.	
L.A. Rams at Miami, 1 p.m.	
Indianapolis at Detroit, 1 p.m.	
New England at Buffalo, 1 p.m.	
Las Vegas at Cleveland, 1 p.m.	
Pittsburgh at Baltimore, 1 p.m.	
Minnesota at Green Bay, 1 p.m.	
L.A. Chargers at Denver, 4:05 p.m.	
New Orleans at Chicago, 4:25 p.m.	
San Francisco at Seattle, 4:25 p.m.	
Dallas at Phila., 8:20 p.m.	
Open: Houston, Jacksonville, Arizona, Washington	
<b>Monday, Nov. 2</b>	
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Giants, 8:15 p.m.	



Daughter’s fashion choices cause mom embarrassment

**DEAR ABBY:** Our 19-year-old daughter is wonderful in many ways. She’s smart, attends a university on academic scholarships and earns excellent grades. The problem is the way she dresses. Her shorts are so short they show some cheek, the bathing suits she wears in our backyard pool are almost thongs, she runs at the track in spandex and a sports bra and gets cat-calls.

Dear Abby



I understand the outfit would be OK for a formal race, but at the track? Why not throw on a T-shirt? The most recent example was a Sunday afternoon, ladies-only baby shower, to which she wore a pale pink (it looked nude) clingy dress that barely covered her butt. No one else was dressed like that. I was embarrassed. She wasn’t raised like this.

I understand there are times when a young woman wants to look alluring. I have tried to talk to her about classy/sexy versus trappy, but she gets defensive. Any advice? – Embarrassed Mom In West Virginia

**DEAR MOM:** Many young women dress the way your daughter does in an attempt to emulate current social media personalities. Others do it to get attention because they are not sure they have anything more to offer. Because lecturing your daughter has fallen on deaf ears, let her learn these lessons on her own. And in the meantime, concentrate on helping her to appreciate more of the important qualities she has to offer in addition to what I am assuming is a killer figure.

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have been together for 15 years. We seem to have a lot of issues every year around fall. It has been this way for the last five years.

While my husband and I were separated, he was intimate for a month with a younger woman. He decided to stop seeing her and returned home to work on our marriage, but before he approached me about working things out, he apologized to her first. I don’t understand why he owed her an apology. It still bothers me that he felt the need to apologize to her first and not me. What should I do? – Hurt In The Midwest

**DEAR HURT:** Your husband may not have been entirely honest with the younger woman about his marital status, or he may have felt guilty for leading her on. Who knows? In the interest of saving your marriage, I suggest you focus your attention on the fact that you have your husband back and let this go.

**DEAR ABBY:** I’m a dad with four kids, three of them grown. When we celebrate my birthday or my wife’s, or Father’s Day or Mother’s Day, I’m the one who always pays. For the most recent Father’s Day dinner, the check was \$240. My wife and I are still paycheck-to-paycheck people, and at least one of my kids makes five times as much as we do between her and her boyfriend. Am I getting this wrong? – Not Made Of Money

**DEAR NOT MADE:** No, you are not. In some families, the parent, “the head of the family,” picks up the check for celebrations. However, once the children become adults, they usually step forward on occasions like birthdays, anniversaries, Mother’s Day and Father’s Day and treat their parents. Because your children don’t seem to have noticed that they are now adults, you should point it out to them. Because of the disparity in your incomes, they should at LEAST offer to treat you and your wife on special occasions.

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CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Godiva’s title
  - 5 Fiery ballroom dance
  - 10 Minor roles for big stars
  - 12 Flew alone
  - 13 Use a compass
  - 14 Well-mannered
  - 15 Bookies’ calculations
  - 16 Flying saucer
  - 18 Time divs.
  - 19 Slow mover
  - 21 Skating champion Fleming
  - 25 Passes the buck
  - 29 Weight deductions
  - 30 Treasure hunter’s aid
  - 32 Be frugal
  - 33 Pigs
  - 34 Discourse
  - 37 Alphabetized back-of-the-book list

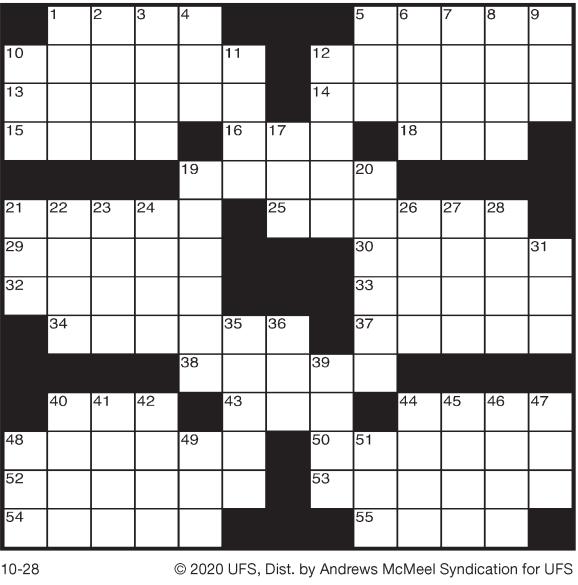
- 38 Bullwinkle, for one
  - 40 Grassy surface
  - 43 Japanese currency
  - 44 Large wine casks
  - 48 Cantina offering
  - 50 Depleted (2 wds.)
  - 52 Car owner
  - 53 Fruit high in potassium
  - 54 Positioned
  - 55 Kind of bean
- DOWN**
- 1 Animal fat
  - 2 Centrally located
  - 3 Poor passing marks
  - 4 Not hither
  - 5 Also
  - 6 Confederate
  - 7 Roulette color
  - 8 Understands, as a joke
  - 9 Byron offering
  - 10 Pigeon talk

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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12 Mollycoddle  
17 Marvy  
19 Logical procedure  
20 Highland girl  
21 Qt. parts  
22 Hits the buffet  
23 Hold tightly  
24 It may be spliced  
26 Like a neat lawn  
27 Oklahoma town  
28 Healthy upstairs  
31 Actor — Harrison of “My Fair Lady”

35 More bashful  
36 Toolshed item  
39 Disrespect  
40 Delhi attire  
41 Neglect  
42 TV’s — Letterman  
44 “I came,” to Caesar  
45 Sandler or West  
46 Canned fish  
47 Health club  
48 Six-pointers  
49 Escorted  
51 Mule of songdom



SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ☆☆☆☆☆

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

3	8	6	5	1	9	7	2	4
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6	4	7	8	5	1	2	3	9
1	9	3	2	7	6	4	8	5
7	1	2	9	6	8	5	4	3
5	3	8	1	4	2	9	6	7
9	6	4	7	3	5	8	1	2

**JUMBLE**

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

RMEAF

KRAFN

TFUIOT

GEEEMR

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME  
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

THE NO-COST FAMILY PHOTO COUPONS WERE ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

THE

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: BIRCH CHURN NAPKIN JAGUAR  
Answer: Most of the bats were flying out of the cave, but a few decided to — HANG BACK

**THE FAMILY CIRCUS** By Bil Keane

“Will two plus two always equal four?”

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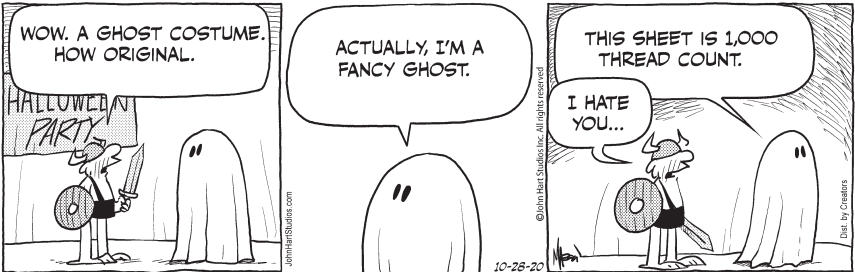
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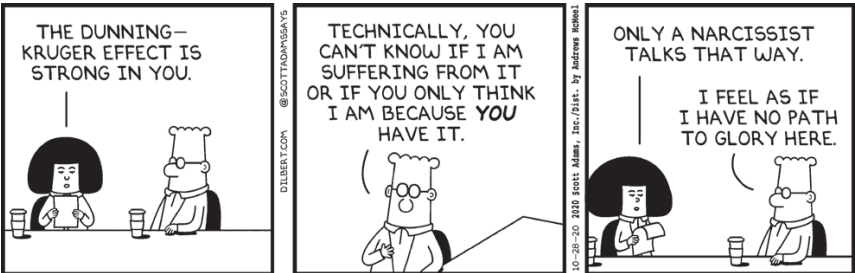
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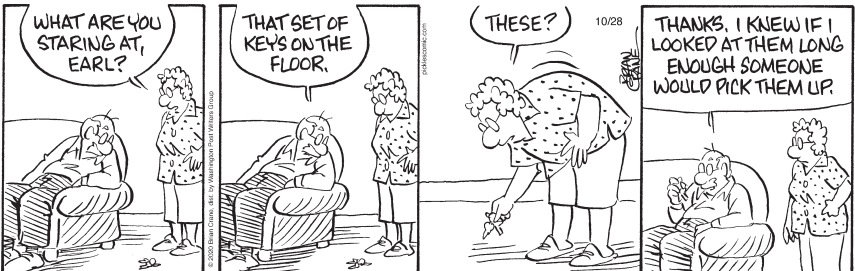
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PICKLES



God is with His people every step of the way

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

**Q:** Why do Christians continue to trust God when He lets them down by not protecting them from sickness and many other things that bring deep sorrow? Why should anyone want to believe in such a God? — D.G.

**A:** Nowhere in the Bible does it promise those who believe in God that they will be exempt from trouble. In fact, there is not one story in all of Scripture where God’s people did not experience turmoil and heartache of some kind. The story of Job is a prime example, but Job declared that through his tribulation he would come forth as gold (Job 23:10). Dealing with difficulties is what makes us strong.

Dr. M. R. DeHaan gave a memorable analogy of this

principle many years ago. “It is said that a bar of steel worth \$5 when made into ordinary horseshoes will be worth only \$10. If this same \$5 bar is manufactured into needles, the value rises to \$350, but if it is made into delicate springs for expensive watches, it will be worth \$250,000. This original bar of steel is made more valuable by being cut to its proper size, passed through the heat again and again, hammered and polished, until it is finally ready for its delicate task.”

These prices would be much

more today, of course, but the point the same, illustrating the truth that God’s discipline and chastening builds Christian character, enabling us to demonstrate our faith in God, in His purposes for our lives, and builds us up with stronger faith in Him.

Many Christians miss this important lesson and find themselves depressed and bitter. Instead, we should all see troubled times as stepping stones, knowing that whatever we encounter in this life, we do not walk the pathway alone.

**CELEBRITY CIPHER**  
by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“D’T M CDE CYIDYXH DB  
WXYHJWTD BE MBA MJKDYXDBE MBA  
AWDBE OKDBEP MBA BWO VYYIDBE  
PWHHU VWH UWNHPYIV.” — AHYG  
JMHYU

Previous Solution: “The drummer’s always going to be there. They’re the floor of the whole deal and everyone can stand up on you.” — Ringo Starr

TODAY’S CLUE: n s i e n b e n







TESTIMONY

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Carmack if she killed Skylea, Jumper said Carmack didn't answer.

"She just stared at me," Jumper explained.

Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Evan Hammond asked Jumper if Carmack ever said no when asked if she killed Skylea.

"She didn't say no," Jumper testified.

Both Jumper and lead ISP Detective Wendell Beachy said they took note of one response Carmack reportedly gave when she was pressed multiple times about where Skylea was. Both said they heard her reply, "It doesn't matter."

"That was kind of alarming to me," Beachy told the courtroom.

On cross examination, defense attorney David Payne pressed Jumper on how long the interview was and how many breaks Carmack was given. He recalled a portion of the interview broadcast in the courtroom where Carmack told Jumper that she was tired and had a headache.

Jumper answered Payne by saying the interview lasted about four hours, adding that they "stopped and got water a couple of times" for about "five to 10 minutes" each time.

Payne also asked Jumper if police officers are allowed to lie to suspects while conducting interviews. She replied, "yes."

When asked if she uses this tactic frequently, Jumper said, "No, I do not."

Payne then asked if she's ever told a suspect that they have a good case against them, and she said yes.

He also recalled a portion of the interview where Jumper

told Carmack that she thought Carmack was under a lot of stress at home since she was caring for seven kids, home-schooling them and taking them to appointments while her husband, Kevin, was driving his semi-truck long hours for work. He asked if she was being honest with Carmack when Jumper reportedly told Carmack that she would "go crazy" if she had to deal with all of that, and Jumper replied by saying, "In a stressed sense, yes."

Hammond asked Jumper why she continually asked Carmack if any accidents happened on Saturday night, the night Skylea was killed according to police, and Jumper said she is trained to ask questions like that to allow suspects an opportunity to tell the truth. Jumper asked Carmack multiple times if she snapped or lost her temper, too.

Before Jumper began to press Carmack about her involvement in Skylea's disappearance, she confronted Carmack about responses that didn't match what other witnesses were saying. Jumper also made note, around that time in the interview, that video surveillance footage showed that Skylea never left the home.

Beachy also said he believed Carmack was not being forthcoming.

"During the interview, Amanda was basically not cooperating," he testified. "She appeared very distraught, tired, and she avoided a lot of ... questions."

Payne asked both officers if they had ever asked Carmack if she had migraines or if she was suffering from undiagnosed depression. Both said they didn't specifically ask those questions, but Jumper explained that she asked Carmack if she took any medica-

tions, like antidepressants, to cope with the stress.

Multiple law enforcement officials also testified Thursday that Carmack's demeanor changed when the Indiana State Police took charge of the investigation to find her step daughter, Skylea.

After Beachy became the lead detective for the investigation, he testified that he went to Carmack's residence to tell her that his department was taking over the investigation. When he reportedly told her that ISP has more resources than the local police department and would be better suited to help find Skylea, he said her reaction was notable.

"She kind of wilted," he said of observations he made in reference to Carmack's physical reactions. "I thought she was going to faint. She turned a bit white."

Beachy then claimed the late Gas City Police Chief Tim Eckstein told him "about a few concerns" he had with her truthfulness when ISP was brought in to help with the investigation.

Thursday's testimony also included an expert witness that went over the search warrant conducted on Carmack's phone. ISP forensic examiner Jeremy Brice said that Carmack's phone did not show any phone call or text message activity for a period of five and one-half hours.

He said the last call was to Kevin around 2:30 p.m. and then the next bit of data was logged at around 9 p.m. when Carmack told Kevin that Skylea was missing and then called the police after Kevin suggested she do so.

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RESULTS

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of stress trying to be the sole caretaker and home-school teacher for seven kids. He also said she wasn't being supported and that she suffered from undiagnosed depression and migraine headaches.

Investigators then left Carmack in the interview room with a note pad for her to write letters to people involved in the case. Payne took issue with how the letters were never sent to any of the addressed recipients, but Hammon argued that evidence is not released before a trial is over.

Payne also referenced how Carmack wrote a letter to Kevin saying he was a good man and that he was right to take the guns away. Payne argued that this should be reasonably interpreted as Carmack being suicidal and depressed before the incident happened.

Payne asked ISP Detective Josh Rozzi, who conducted part of the interview on Sept. 4, if Carmack ever confessed to murder. Rozzi replied no.

In the interview, Rozzi asked what made Carmack stop after placing her hands on Skylea's neck before she later grabbed something to put around her neck, and Carmack said she doesn't remember.

Prosecutors also showed the courtroom a social media post and letters allegedly written by Carmack that were found around the Carmack household before the Sept. 4 confession. Police say one of the

posts said Camarck was "at the end of her rope" in regards to Skylea.

ISP Polygraph Examiner Matt Collins also took the stand Friday to testify about a polygraph test administered before the Sept. 4 confession.

Payne entered a running objection to the results of a polygraph test administered to defendant Amanda Dawn Carmack. Payne argued in his objection that the testimony would not be relevant since Carmack later confessed, adding that he thought the state was trying to use the testimony to paint Carmack as "deceptive."

Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Evan Hammond disputed the objection, saying the testimony wasn't just an attempt by the state to bolster its case.

He said if investigators didn't do DNA analysis or a polygraph, "... we would be accused of being the sloppiest police in the state."

Grant County Circuit Court Judge Mark Spitzer overruled the objection and allowed the testimony.

Collins said Carmack told him that she had smoked marijuana and cried before making dinner. Carmack reported that she put the Texas Toast in the oven around 5:47 p.m. but that she didn't check on Skylea until around 8 p.m. even though another child allegedly told her that Skylea wasn't in her room when she had been in the room earlier.

Collins testified that when they would talk about anything

besides Skylea that Carmack would speak in a normal voice and hold a normal conversation, but he said that when the kitchen incident or other incidents were discussed, he could not understand what she was saying.

Collins said he scored Carmack's polygraph with a score of minus 19. He said a quality control score provided by another examiner scored her at minus 17. Collins explained that anything above plus two would result in a passed polygraph test, and he said that anything below a minus four would show a negative polygraph test result.

Payne argued that some of the indicators used to score a polygraph test can be manipulated, like breathing patterns, and Collins agreed. Payne then pressed Collins about whether he had taken any training on someone who may be suffering from a suppressed memory or PTSD and how that could affect polygraph test results.

Collins said he had not taken any trainings like that and said, "If they did not have the memory, then they will not have a reaction. That's my opinion."

The court also received information on DNA samples taken from the trash bag that Skylea was found. Investigators say that DNA showed a strong indication that Carmack was a contributor to the DNA found on the bag.

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SHOOTING

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During this time, officers from the WPD, including Sgt. Nick Brubaker and Officer Dan Henderson, arrived on the scene, responding to this call.

"At this point, they're trying to figure out what's going on. They know there's some type of issue with a child," said Hartley. "They're arriving at the scene, getting out of the vehicle and making their way up to the front door."

Hartley said Brubaker exited his vehicle and started heading toward the front door. William L. Sendelbach came around the back of the apartment building, flanking the officers, catching Brubaker by surprise. William L. Sendelbach discharged his firearm again and hit Brubaker in the right leg. He also hit the squad car and another police vehicle off to the side.

At that time, the officers return fire and struck William L. Sendelbach several times. William L. Sendelbach discharged the shotgun a second time during this exchange of gunfire. Officers were then able to take William L. Sendelbach into custody.

Hartley said officers ran inside and found upstairs Kayden Sendelbach with this knife still in his head.

"He was still alive, but not doing very well, obviously," said Hartley.

Brubaker was taken to Parkview Wabash Hospital for treatment. Hartley said he would be making a full recovery.

"He still has the shot in his right leg," said Hartley.

Kayden Sendelbach was flown to Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis where was given care there, but the doctors there were not able to save his life. Kayden Sendelbach died from his injuries at 6:28 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10.

"The mother, Sarah, had to make a tough decision as to whether or not to donate organs. She chose to do that.

So, some good was able to come from that," said Hartley.

William L. Sendelbach was flown to Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne. He had been in the hospital since the incident. Over the weekend, William L. Sendelbach died "presumably from complications from the shooting."

This case was investigated by ISP Det. Sgt. Josh Rozzi. "Because the Wabash Police Department was involved in the shooting, it's common practice for the state police to get involved to investigate these cases," said Hartley.

After Rozzi presented his findings to Hartley, William L. Sendelbach was charged with one count of murder and two counts of attempted murder on Wednesday, Oct. 14. The murder charge was for the killing Kayden Sendelbach and the attempted murder charges were for Brubaker and the trash truck driver.

Hartley said at the time that he filed this case in the Wabash Circuit Court, he had asked the court to impose life without parole against William L. Sendelbach.

"Because the criminal case is over, that's one thing. The pain, the torment and the agony that Sarah Sendelbach is going through is not going to cease. She's going to continue to suffer from this. We're asking the community to really support her and her family because she has two remaining kids that she needs to take care of. And so we're hoping the community comes and helps her through this process," said Hartley.

Hartley said he wanted to specifically highlight the heroism of Sarah Sendelbach and the WPD officers.

"To have the state of mind after seeing her son with this knife in his head in that bedroom. And having the state of mind knowing that she needed to get out of that apartment to save herself and her kids. It's pretty amazing. Had she not got out, she and her kids may have died. She had the state of mind to gather those kids

up, to flee that scene. She was also in my mind heroic in that here she had a young child that had died, and she was willing to donate his organs to help other kids," said Hartley.

Hartley said the WPD officers acted appropriately.

"They've been cleared of any wrongdoing obviously because it was a justified shooting. William Sendelbach initiated this by shooting officer Brubaker and he did exactly what we expect," said Hartley. "We applaud their response."

Hartley said there was not an immediate motive apparent for William L. Sendelbach's actions that day.

"That's really the frustrating thing about this case. A couple of things are very odd," said Hartley.

Hartley said William L. Sendelbach had drawn what he characterized as "pentagrams" on the floor of the house.

"He called them 'devil traps,'" said Hartley. "He had it seems like a fascination with the devil and that type of thing."

Hartley said Rozzi was able to interview William L. Sendelbach before he died.

"He didn't really have a good response as to why this happened. He admitted that it was a senseless thing. He kept bringing up this issue with the devil and this type of thing," said Hartley.

Hartley said in his 18 years as the prosecutor he had never encountered such a "horrific" case.

"Kayden was laying in his bed with Spiderman bed sheets," said Hartley. "I've never had this type of murder case where it just breaks your heart."

Hartley said no drugs were found in the apartment at the time and that toxicology tests were still pending. An autopsy has been planned.

"He recognized what he did was wrong, but I didn't get the sense that he was overly remorseful," said Hartley.

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# Barrett sworn in at court as issues important to Trump await

By **MARK SHERMAN**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Amy Coney Barrett was formally sworn in Tuesday as the Supreme Court’s ninth justice, her oath administered in private by Chief Justice John Roberts. Her first votes on the court could include two big topics affecting the man who appointed her.

The court is weighing a plea from President Donald Trump to prevent the Manhattan district attorney from acquiring his tax returns. It is also considering appeals from the Trump campaign and Republicans to shorten the deadline for receiving and counting absentee ballots in the battleground states of North Carolina and

Pennsylvania.

Northeastern Pennsylvania’s Luzerne County filed legal papers at the court Tuesday arguing that Barrett should not take part in the Pennsylvania case. It’s not clear if she will vote in the pending cases, but she will make that call.

Barrett was confirmed Monday by the Senate in a 52-48 virtual party line vote. She is expected to begin work as a justice on Tuesday after taking the second of two oaths required of judges by federal law. No justice has assumed office so close to a presidential election or immediately confronted issues so directly tied to the incumbent president’s political and personal fortunes.

Barrett declined to com-

mit to Democratic demands that she step aside from any cases on controversial topics, including a potential post-election dispute over the presidential results.

At 48, she’s the youngest justice since Clarence Thomas joined the court in 1991 at age 43.

Other election-related issues are pending at the high court, which next week also will hear a clash of LGBTQ rights and religious freedoms. The fate of the Affordable Care Act is on the agenda on Nov. 10, and Trump himself last week reiterated his opposition to the Obama-era law. “I hope they end it,” he said in an interview with CBS News’ “60 Minutes.”

On Friday, Barrett, the

most open opponent of abortion rights to join the court in decades, also could be called upon to weigh in on Mississippi’s 15-week abortion ban. The state is appealing lower court rulings invalidating the ban. Abortion opponents in Pittsburgh also are challenging a so-called bubble zone that prevents protesters from getting too close to abortion clinics.

The court put off acting on both cases before Barrett joined the court, without offering any explanation in the Mississippi case. It ordered Pittsburgh to file a response to the appeal filed by the protesters, who call themselves sidewalk counselors.

It’s not clear that the public will know how Barrett

voted in the two abortion cases because the court typically doesn’t make the vote counts public when it is considering whether to grant full review to cases.

Barrett is joining the court at an unusual moment. The justices are meeting remotely by telephone because of the coronavirus pandemic, both for their private conferences and public argument sessions, at least through the end of 2020. The public can listen to the arguments as they take place, a change also resulting from the court’s response to the pandemic.

After her first private conference with her new colleagues on Friday, two weeks of arguments begin on Monday. In an institu-

tion that pays strict attention to seniority, Barrett will go last in the private and public sessions.

As she settles into her new office at the court, Barrett will be joined by four law clerks, usually recent law school graduates who have experience working for federal judges.

When the court reopens to the public and the justices return to the courtroom, Barrett is expected to assume several duties reserved for the court’s junior justice. She will be a member of the committee that oversees the court’s public cafeteria, and the person who takes notes and answers the door when someone knocks during the justices’ private conferences.

# Health panel proposes colon cancer tests start at 45, not 50

By **MARION RENAULT**  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A panel of health experts wants U.S. adults to start getting colon cancer screenings at age 45, five years younger than it previously recommended.

While overall, colon cancer rates have been declining, the draft guidelines issued Tuesday by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force reflect a growing concern about rising rates in people under the age of 50.

“We’ve seen more data showing that younger people are getting colon cancer at higher rates,” said Dr. Alex Krist, a family doctor at Virginia Commonwealth University and a member of the task force. “Basically a 45-year-old today has the same risk of getting colon cancer as a 50-year-old from years past.”

The task force is a volunteer panel of doctors that regularly reviews evidence and issues advice on medical tests and treatments.

The group is proposing that adults of average risk for colon cancer be screened from ages 45 to 75. How often the tests are done depends on the type

of screening: a colonoscopy is usually every five to 10 years while stool-based tests are every year. After age 75, the task force says screening decisions should be made on an individual basis.

“Most people who get colon cancer have no signs, no symptoms and no risks. And so that’s why we recommend that everyone get screened,” Krist said.

The task force advice on screening doesn’t apply to those with colon cancer, polyps or a family history of colon cancer or genetic disorders that increase their risk. Tuesday’s proposal also emphasizes that the disease occurs more often, is screened for less and leads to more deaths in Black adults.

Colon cancer, along with rectal cancer, is the third leading cause of cancer deaths in the U.S., with an estimated 148,000 new cases this year.

The task force proposal brings it in line with guidelines from the American Cancer Society, which in 2018 lowered the screening age from 50 to 45. With the change, doctors should feel comfortable recommending colon cancer screens to younger patients, said

the cancer group’s Robert Smith.

“We’ve been anticipating this for a while,” Smith said.

Earlier testing would help detect precancerous polyps or early cancer in younger patients before the disease requires more aggressive treatment, said Dr. Nancy You of MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

“We have a lot more treatment options that are less invasive and have better results when we treat cancer at the earlier stages,” she said. “That makes a huge difference to our patients.”

Experts anticipate it will still be a challenge getting people screened. Currently, 1 in 4 people between 50 and 75 have never been screened for the disease, and only about 60 percent of U.S. adults are up to date on their colon cancer screenings, Krist said.

If the recommendations are finalized, screenings for younger people would be covered by most private insurance plans, with no copay. The Affordable Care Act mandates that insurers cover services recommended by the task force.

The proposal is open for public comment through Nov. 23.

# Stop the music! Chorus of artists tell Trump to tune it down

By **ANDREW DALTON**  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — From the beloved opening lines of Leonard Cohen’s “Hallelujah” to the rousing, children’s-choir conclusion of the Rolling Stones’ “You Can’t Always Get What You Want,” President Donald Trump’s campaign rallies have been filled with classic songs whose authors and their heirs loudly reject him and his politics.

It’s become a sub-cycle in the endless campaign cycle. The Trump campaign can hardly play a song without the artist denouncing its use and sending a cease-and-desist letter. Neil Young, John Fogerty, Phil Collins, Panic! At The Disco and the estates of Leonard Cohen, Tom Petty and Prince are just a few of those who have objected.

Campaigns have been turning popular songs into theme songs for more than a century, and American artists have been objecting at least since 1984, when Bruce Springsteen denied the use of “Born in the U.S.A.” to the Ronald Reagan reelection campaign.

But this year, the issue has reached an unprecedented saturation point, indicative of a wide cultural divide between the president and his supporters, and overwhelmingly left-leaning musicians, who virtually never make the same demands of Democratic candidates.

“I’ve been covering this beat for probably 20 years, and this is probably as stark a division I’ve seen as far as artists not wanting a politician to use their songs,” said Billboard contributor Gil Kaufman, who has been covering the convergence of music and politics for the record trade magazine during the campaign. “The choice is so stark for a lot of voters, and it is for musicians too.”

Few have objected as adamantly as Young. The fiercely opinionated rock Hall-of-Famer is the rare musician who has gone beyond demands and filed a lawsuit over the repeated use of his songs.

“Imagine what it feels like to hear ‘Rockin’ in the Free World’ after this President speaks, like it is his theme song,” Young wrote on his website in July. “I did not write it for that.”

That feeling that they’ve been drafted onto Team Trump clearly fuels many artists’ anger.

“Their music is their identity,” Kaufman said. “It’s important to them to not appear as though they are tacitly endorsing Trump.”

Other artists have been more befuddled than angry about the playing of songs whose themes are the exact opposite of the messages Trump is sending.

Fogerty said he was baffled by Trump’s use of “Fortunate Son,” his 1969 hit with Creedence Clearwater Revival, whose condemnation of privileged children of rich men who did not serve in Vietnam sounds like a tailor-made slam of Trump.

“I find it confusing that the president has chosen to use my song for his political rallies, when in fact it seems like he is probably the fortunate son,” Fogerty said in a video on Facebook in September.

He was more fiery after he kept hearing it played.

“He is using my words and my voice to portray a message that I do not endorse,” Fogerty said in an Oct. 16 tweet announcing a cease-and-desist order.

That the president’s rallies are potential spreaders of the coronavirus may be adding intensity to artists’ desire not to have their music contribute.

“It’s not a great look for the artists, if their music is aligned with something seen as unsafe,” Kaufman said.

Many social-media observers pointed out that, given its title, Collins’ “In The Air Tonight” was especially tone-deaf when it was played at Trump’s Oct. 14 rally in Iowa. Collins’ attorneys promptly demanded the campaign stop using the song.

Legally, politicians don’t necessarily need direct permission from artists.

Campaigns can buy broad licensing packages from music rights organizations, including BMI and ASCAP, that give them legal access to millions of songs.

BMI said the Rolling Stones had opted out of inclusion in those licenses, and it informed the Trump campaign that if it did not stop playing “You Can’t Always Get What You Want,” a Trump favorite in regu-

lar rotation at his rallies, the campaign would be in breach of its agreement.

But even if their songs can be played contractually, artists can still object. That usually just means a public demand to the campaign.

“A lot of the time it just takes the cease-and-desist to tell them not to use it, that’s already enough for the artist to get their message out that they’re not associated with the campaign and did not approve the use,” said Heidy Vaquerano, a Los Angeles attorney who specializes in entertainment law and intellectual property.

And there are other legal channels, such as states’ right-of-publicity laws, which treat an artists’ identity as their property, or the federal Lanham Act, which protects an artist’s personal trademark and contains a provision barring false endorsement.

“The use of their music, it could dilute the worth of their trademark,” Vaquerano said. “Courts have recognized that that could be an implied endorsement.”

The Trump campaign did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

The president has turned more recently to slightly friendlier ground, dancing at events to “Y.M.C.A.” by the Village People, whose leader and primary songwriter, Victor Willis, has said he doesn’t feel he’s endorsing Trump when the song plays.

Yet the campaign cannot avoid condemnation even when playing dead artists.

Petty’s widow and daughters, who had been fighting in court over his estate, united in their demand in June that Trump stop using his song, “I Won’t Back Down.”

Cohen’s estate attorneys vehemently objected to the prominent use of “Hallelujah” during the final-night fireworks at the Republican National Convention in August, saying in a statement it was an attempt to “politicize and exploit” a song they had specifically told the RNC not to use.

Cohen attorneys made the rare move of suggesting an alternative, whose title could be taken as a dig at Trump.

“Had the RNC requested another song, ‘You Want it Darker,’” the lawyers said, “we might have considered approval.”

# NXIVM head Keith Raniere sentenced to 120 years in prison

By **LARRY NEUMEISTER and TOM HAYS**  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Disgraced self-improvement guru Keith Raniere, whose NXIVM followers included millionaires and Hollywood actors, was sentenced to 120 years on Tuesday for turning some adherents into sex slaves branded with his initials.

U.S. District Judge Nicholas Garaufis handed down the sentence in federal court in Brooklyn after a lengthy hearing featuring statements by victims of a sex-trafficking conspiracy that resulted in Raniere’s conviction last year.

Prosecutors had sought life in prison while defense lawyers said he should face 15 years behind bars.

Raniere, 60, had shown no remorse, with his lawyers

telling the judge before the sentencing that their client wasn’t sorry “for his conduct or his choices.”

The sentencing culminated several years of revelations about Raniere’s program, NXIVM, which charged thousands of dollars for invitation-only self improvement courses at its headquarters near Albany, New York, along with branches in Mexico and Canada. Adherents included millionaires and Hollywood actresses willing to endure humiliation and pledge obedience to the defendant as part of his teachings.

NXIVM has been the subject of two TV documentary series this year, HBO’s “The Vow,” and the Starz series “Seduced: Inside the NXIVM Cult.”

Prosecutors said Raniere led what amounted to a criminal enterprise, induc-

ing shame and guilt to influence and control co-conspirators who helped recruit and groom sexual partners for Raniere. He was convicted on charges including racketeering, alien smuggling, sex trafficking, extortion and obstruction of justice.

They said that among other crimes, Raniere began a sexual relationship in 2005 with a 15-year-old girl and confined another teenager to a room for nearly two years.

Raniere had come under harsh attack on Tuesday from former followers during sentencing in his sex-trafficking case.

India Oxenberg, the daughter of “Dynasty” actress Catherine Oxenberg, called him an “entitled little prince” and a sexual predator and lamented that she “may have to spend the rest of my life with Keith Raneire’s initials seared into me.”

# Wind a risk as California fires keep tens of thousands away

By **CHRISTOPHER WEBER and OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ**  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Crews tried to beat back two out-of-control wildfires in Southern California on Tuesday that have kept tens of thousands of people out of their homes even as another round of dangerous fire weather raises the risk for flames erupting across the state.

Fierce winds that drove twin fires through brushy hills near cities in Orange County a day earlier were expected to pick back up, although not to the earlier extremes, according to the National Weather Service.

Southern California Edison

reported to regulators that it was investigating whether its equipment might have sparked the Silverado Fire near the city of Irvine. With utility equipment blamed for several destructive fires in recent years, Edison was among the utilities in California that deliberately cut power to customers to prevent equipment from being knocked down or hit with debris in the winds and sparking wildfires.

Irvine residents had to evacuate after a fire broke out early Monday, while later and a few miles away, another blaze, the Blue Ridge Fire, sent people fleeing from the Yorba Linda area. More than 100,000 people were under

evacuation orders.

At least 10 homes were damaged and crews protected hundreds more as winds pushed flames down ridges toward neighborhoods. There was little containment of the fires, which continued to grow throughout the day.

Forecasts call for Santa Ana winds to keep blowing over much of Southern California, with some of the strongest gusts howling through Orange County, where the major blazes are. The winds were expected to be lighter than a day earlier and die down by nighttime.

The gusts were so strong Monday that they toppled several semi-trucks on highways and forced firefight-

ers to ground their aircraft, though they got back up by late afternoon and were expected to fly Tuesday.

Two firefighters, one 26 and the other, 31, were critically injured while battling the larger blaze near Irvine, according to the county’s Fire Authority, which didn’t provide details on how the injuries occurred. They each suffered second- and third-degree burns over large portions of their bodies and were getting help breathing at a hospital, officials said.

Ruth Anderson and her husband, Michael, grabbed medications and luggage as powerful winds whipped up in their Irvine neighborhood on Monday. They begged

their neighbors to leave too, then drove off, only to find themselves in a traffic jam as orange smoke descended.

“You could hardly see in front of you,” she said. “You didn’t know if there was a wall of fire coming or not.”

Once safely at a friend’s house a few cities over, “we made pumpkin martinis and tried to forget about life,” Anderson laughed.

Southern California Edison cut power to about 38,000 homes and businesses, although it restored some power by Monday night.

In Northern California, easing winds allowed Pacific Gas & Electric to begin restoring power after the largest of five safety shutoffs this

year.

At its peak, PG&E cut power to about 345,000 customers – an estimated 1 million people – in 34 counties. The nation’s largest utility said it has restored power to more than 156,000 customers. Electricity is expected to come back at the remaining homes and buildings by Tuesday night after crews do inspections to make repairs and ensure equipment is safe.

A dozen reports of damage had been received, PG&E said.

Nearly two dozen wildfires were reported in Northern California on Sunday night and Monday but all were rapidly contained without serious damage.



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City now accepting WCS board member applications

The Wabash City Schools (WCS) school board began accepting applications for member positions Wednesday, Sept. 30. The appointees will begin service on Jan. 1, 2021 and serve for four years. Application forms are available through noon Friday, Oct. 30 at City Hall, 202 S. Wabash St. Applicants must live within the WCS district to be considered. Members wishing reappointment must complete a new application. Applicants will be interviewed in a public meeting. For more information, email [citycouncil1@cityofwabash.com](mailto:citycouncil1@cityofwabash.com).

Great Pumpkin Hunt planned

The Great Pumpkin Hunt event has been set for 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30 in Warvel Park, 702 N. Market St., North Manchester. Age groups will be Toddler, Pre-K/Kindergarten, First and Second grades, Third and Fourth grades and Fifth and Sixth grades. Participants will line up on the sidewalk along 7th and Market streets. Toddler is the only group that may be assisted by a parent.

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Wabash City Council meeting, Mayor Scott Long announced the city's official trick-or-treating hours as being from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

Trunk-or-treat and trick-or-treating planned in North Manchester

On Friday, North Manchester Police Department (NMPD) Chief Jim Kirk said they were planning a trunk-or-treat event from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31 at the North Manchester Public Safety Building, 709 W. Main St., North Manchester. Kirk said this will be the same hours as trick-or-treating in North Manchester. Kirk said they will be passing out candy and will also have police and fire trucks in the east parking lot. Kirk said participants may drive through and do not need to get out of their vehicles. Kirk said there will be no haunted house this year.

Peabody Retirement Community's Trail of Scarecrows

Peabody Retirement Community is hosting Trail of Scarecrows – a contactless, family-friendly event – through Saturday, Oct. 31 at their 33-acre campus at 400 W. Seventh St. Activities also include a self-guided scavenger hunt. Visitors can drive (or walk) a trail of more than 20 scarecrows. The public is invited to choose the winner by touring the Trail of Scarecrows and voting for their favorite scarecrow on the Peabody Retirement Community Facebook page. Before dropping by

Peabody, Irwin suggests downloading a printable Trail of Scarecrows map and Scarecrow Tom Scavenger Hunt checklist. For more information, visit [PeabodyRC.org](http://PeabodyRC.org) or call 260-982-8616.

WPD participating in Operation Belt Up

The Wabash Police Department (WPD) is participating in Operation Belt Up through Nov. 5. Indiana law requires everyone in the vehicle to wear a seat belt. Children under eight years of age are required to be in a federally-approved child or booster seat.

Focus on the Future Community Workshops planned

A team of elected and appointed officials, civic leaders and organizations is launching an innovative, comprehensive planning process for the five incorporated communities of Wabash County. The first community involvement opportunity – Focus on the Future Community Workshops – will take place during the week of Nov. 9 with in-person meetings planned in each of the county's incorporated cities and towns. This round of engagement will also include virtual events and special stakeholder sessions. Registration is not required but appreciated for all events. Virtual workshops include: ■ 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 13 ■ 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16 In-person events include: ■ 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 9 at Roann Community Center, 105 N. Chippewa St., Roann ■ 6:30 p.m. Tuesday,

Nov. 10, Lagro Town Hall, 230 Buchanan St., Lagro ■ 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, La Fontaine Community Building, 105 W Branson St., La Fontaine ■ 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, Honeywell Center, Legacy Center, 275 W. Market St. ■ 6:30, 7:30 and 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12 at the Manchester Community Schools Admin Building, 404 W 9th St., North Manchester For more information, visit [www.ImagineOne85.org](http://www.ImagineOne85.org).

Indiana 105 bridge at Salamonie Lake closed

Salamonie Lost Bridge West and East state recreation areas are accessible only from the south. To access Indiana 105 on the north side of the bridge, from the south of the bridge heading north on Indiana 105, the official detour will be Indiana 124 to Indiana 9 to Highway 24. The entire bridge deck will be removed and replaced. The bridge, and road, is scheduled to re-open Sunday, Nov. 15.

Hawkins Farms kicks off Pizza Fridays benefiting HOPE CSA

Hawkins Family Farm is hosting "Tailgating on the Farm" from 5 to 7 p.m. Fridays at 10373 N. 300 East, North Manchester,

diners will be able to order online or by phone their all-natural, locally-sourced artisan pizzas baked in an outdoor, wood-fired brick oven. Standard pizzas range from \$10 to \$20, payable by credit card or Apple Pay. All profits from Fridays on the Farm benefit HOPE CSA (Hands-On Pastoral Education using Clergy Sustaining Agriculture). For more information, visit [www.hawkinsfamilyfarm.com](http://www.hawkinsfamilyfarm.com) or [www.hopecsa.org](http://www.hopecsa.org).

Laketon American Legion open

The Laketon American Legion is open from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays serving breakfast and lunch. On Saturdays, only breakfast will be served from 6 to 11 a.m. On Sundays, they are closed.

DivorceCare begins weekly meetings again

DivorceCare, a 13-week DVD series sponsored by Wabash Friends Counseling Center, "features some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on topics concerning divorce and recovery." The support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the Conference Room in the Wabash Friends Counseling Center, 3563 S. State Road 13. Wearing a mask is required when entering. Leader Janet Quillen and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812

S. Wabash St. on State Road 15. For more information, call Quillen at 260-571-5235, or call 260-563-8453 or 877-350-1658; email [office@wabashfriends.org](mailto:office@wabashfriends.org); or visit [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org).

Wabash Rotary Club announces 'No Outing Golf Outing'

Wabash Rotary Club has continued its long tradition of supporting the Wabash County United Fund campaign. And although this year's golf outing was canceled, Wabash Rotary will still be supporting Wabash County United Fund (WCUF). Community members can participate in one of two ways. They may donate any amount to the Wabash Rotary Club or they can sponsor one of three levels toward the "No Outing Golf Outing." All donations or sponsorships may be payable to the Wabash Rotary Club by mail at P.O. Box 159, Wabash, IN 46992. For more information, call Dr. Chris Kuhn at 260-563-8050 (option 7) or email at [kuhnc@msdwc.k12.in.us](mailto:kuhnc@msdwc.k12.in.us); pr call Steve Johnson at 260-563-6726 or email at [steve.johnson@wcunitedfund.org](mailto:steve.johnson@wcunitedfund.org).

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